



Docket No.: 826.1774

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Masakazu SUZUKI, et al.

Serial No. 09/998,516

Group Art Unit: 2182

Confirmation No. 6506

Filed: December 3, 2001

Examiner:

Technology Center 2100

For: DEVICE DRIVER APPARATUS FOR I/O DEVICE SIMULATION (as amended)

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

1/30/04 ✓  
This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 30, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on December 30, 2003.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

Serial No. 09/998,516

**IN THE TITLE:**

Please REPLACE the title with the following:

DEVICE DRIVER APPARATUS FOR I/O DEVICE SIMULATION ✓



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S&amp;H Form: (10/03)

<b>REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL</b>	Attorney Docket No.	826.1774	
	Application Number	09/998,516	
	Filing Date	December 3, 2001	
	First Named Inventor	Masakazu SUZUKI, et al.	
	Group Art Unit	2182	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	0.00	Examiner Name	

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**FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/03)**

CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	9	- 20 =	0	X \$ 18.00 =	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1	- 3 =	0	X \$ 86.00 =	0.00

Since an Official Action set an original due date of December 30, 2003, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$420); 3 months (\$950); 4 months

If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$330.00)

If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110.00)

Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00)

Total of above Calculations =

\$ 0.00

Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)

**TOTAL FEES DUE =**

\$ 0.00

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(2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20".

(4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0".

(5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3".

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**METHOD OF PAYMENT**

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On 12/30/03  
By STAAS & HALSEY  
Date Richard A. Gollhofer

**GENERAL AUTHORIZATION**

☒ If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to:

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☒ The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application.

**SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP**

Typed Name	Richard A. Gollhofer	Reg. No.	31,106
Signature	Richard A. Gollhofer	Date	12/30/03